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SUBJECT: COMMITTEE OF 24 CONTINUES CONSIDERATION OF  
PUERTO RICO

1. THE COMMITTEE OF 24 HEARD NINE MORE "PETITIONERS"  
ON PUERTO RICO AUGUST 30 AND WILL MEET AGAIN AUGUST 31  
AT 3:00 PM. SPEAKERS WERE CONGRESSMAN RONALD DELLUMS,  
LUIS CHAVES GHIGLIOTTY (ATTORNEY), LOUIS W. SCHNEIDER

(EXEC. SECY, AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE),  
RODOLFO CRUZ CONTRERAS (NATIONAL HOUSE OF CULTURE),  
RUBEN BERRIOS MARTINEZ (PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENCE  
PARTY), MARCO ANTONIO RIGAU, ISABEL ROSADO (OF ISLAND  
OF VIEGUES), EFREN FAMIREZ (PROELA INTERNATIONAL, INC.),  
AND DR. FRANCISCO HERNANDEZ VARGAS (PRES., PUERTO RICANS  
AGAINST STATEHOOD).

2. U.S. CONGRESSMAN RONALD V. DELLUMS, SPEAKING AS  
A PRIVATE CITIZEN REPRESENTING THE PUERTO RICO  
SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE, CHARACTERIZED PUERTO RICO AS  
"A CLEAR CASE OF COLONIALISM" AND GAVE EXAMPLES OF  
"ECONOMIC, POLITICAL, CULTURAL AND SOCIAL AGGRESSION"  
BY THE U.S. IN A STATEMENT HIGHLY CRITICAL OF U.S.  
"COLONIAL CONTROL" OVER MOST ASPECTS  
OF PUERTO RICAN LIFE, HE ARGUED THAT FOR TRUE SELF-  
DETERMINATION BY THE PUERTO RICAN PEOPLE, THE U.S.  
CONGRESS MUST FIRST WITHDRAW U.S. POWER FROM ALL  
BRANCHES OF PUERTO RICAN LIFE. THEN THE PEOPLE COULD  
DICTATE THEIR OWN DESTINY. HE CALLED UPON THE C-24  
TO IMPLEMENT RESOLUTION 1514 ON THE GRANTING OF  
INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES.  
(FULL TEXT OF STATEMENT DATAFAXED TO DEPT.)

3. GHIGLIOTTY AND RAMIREZ FAVORED IMPROVED  
COMMONWEALTH STATUS AND THROUGH THE C-24 COULD PLAY  
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A CATALYTIC ROLE IN ASSISTING TOWARD THIS GOAL.  
SCHNEIDER OUTLINED THE RECENT AFSC STUDY ON PUERTO  
RICO WHICH CONCLUDES THAT IT IS IN A COLONIAL  
STATUS AND SHOULD BE PLACED AGAIN ON THE LIST OF  
NON-SELF-GOVERNING TERRITORIES AND THAT THE U.S.  
SHOULD MEANWHILE VOLUNTARILY SUBMIT REPORTS UNDER  
ART. 73(E).

4. CONTRERAS, BERRIOS, RIGAU, ROSADO AND HERNANDEZ  
VARGAS ALL FAVORED INDEPENDENCE AND C-24 JURISDICTION.  
AS PIP PRESIDENT, BERRIOS REVIEWED AT LENGTH THE  
STANDARD INDEPENDIST LINE AND ATTACKED THE USG AND  
AMB YOUNG'S AUG 28 STATEMENT.

5. FURTHER DETAILS WILL FOLLOW. COMMITTEE SECRETARY  
TOLD US THAT HE EXPECTED AT LEAST TWO MORE MEETINGS  
WOULD BE REQUIRED TO HEAR REMAINING PETITIONERS. A  
NIGHT MEETING IS BEING CONTEMPLATED AND SESSIONS MAY  
GO INTO NEXT WEEK. LEONARD

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